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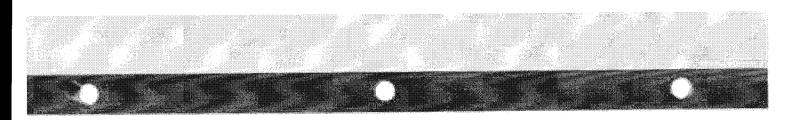
Misc. Documentation

Copy of Subject of Investigation letters

- Copy of additional documents provided by Lt Edison
- Copy of Purchasing Card Policies and Procedures Manual
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- Copy of Lt. Edison's card agreement
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Recorded Interviews

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In conclusion, the investigation determined that Lt. Edison claimed 2-hours of "call-out" overtime for voicemails that he received regarding COVID-19 and he then forwarded the voicemail to COVID-19 case managers to investigate the cases. The investigation found that Lt Edison often claimed "call-out" overtime that did not fall under COVID-19 or the definitions of a "call-out" per the APOA CBA or per Special Order 20-

The investigation determined Cmdr. Armijo told Deputy Chief (DC) Smathers she had issues of concern with Lt Edison's Telestaff. Despite this, DC Smathers signed off on Lt. Edison's Telestaff without proper review into the items Lt. Edison was claiming on his timesheet.

In conclusion, Lt. Edison violated Department policy 1-1-4B2 and 1-1-4D19a. These issues of concern were SUSTAINED. DC Smathers violated Department policy 1-1-4B6b and 3-14-4A15. These issues of concern were SUSTAINED.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On April 27, 2021, Commander (Cmdr.) Elizabeth Armijo completed a Blue Team entry alleging potential misconduct involving Lieutenant (Lt.) Jim Edison.

 Detective Anastacio Zamora, was assigned this Internal Affairs administrative investigation on May 3, 2021.1 began my investigation by reviewing all the evidence submitted in BlueTeam and I reviewed Cmdr. Armijo's memorandum.

The allegations were set out as follows:

Effective Saturday, April 24,2021, Lt. Edison was transferred to the Homeland Security Division reporting to Cmdr. Armijo. On Friday, April 23, 2021 (the day prior to Lt. Edison's transfer to Cmdr. Armijo's supervision) Deputy Chief (DC) Smathers asked Cmdr. Armijo (via text message) to ensure Lt. Edison's transfer was completed and for Cmdr. Armijo to complete his payroll approval (April 23 was the pay period ending date).

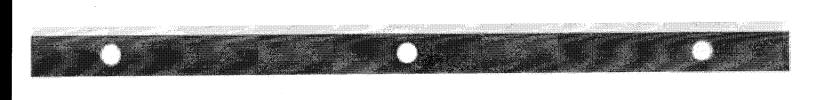
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While Cmdr. Armijo reviewed Lt. Edison's Telestaff entries, she immediately became concerned with Lt. Edison's overtime entries and she did not feel comfortable approving the submitted overtime. Her concerns involved Lt. Edison claiming several hours of "call-out" overtime, nearly every day, when the justification for "call-out" overtime did not meet the requirement per Special Order 20-85 or the Albuquerque Police Officers Association (APOA) collective bargaining agreement (CBA). Much of this overtime should have been claimed as "administrative overtime." Lt. Edison was also claiming 8 hours of comp time for being "on-call" every week despite having at least three officers, a police service aide, and one civilian assigned to assist him with his duties.

After viewing the Lt. Edison's Telestaff entries for the pay period, Cmdr. Armijo had concerns with nearly every single overtime entry and she did not feel there was sufficient justification for what Lt. Edison was claiming. On April 23, 2021, Cmdr. Armijo informed Deputy Chief (DC) Smathers of her concerns with Lt. Edison's Telestaff overtime entries and she told him she was uncomfortable approving the overtime for the pay period. DC Smathers signed off and approved Lt. Edison's overtime, without proper review into the overtime that Lt. Edison claimed on his timesheet.

INVOLVED PERSONS

INVOLVEMENT NAME	e e	PHONE REASON IF NOT NUMBER	N IF NOT INTERVIEWED	
Complainant	Cmdr, Elizabeth Armijo	505-768-2200	N/A	
Subject	DC Michael Smathers	505-768-2200	N/A	
Subject	Lt. Jim Edison	505-768-2200	N/A	



ISSUES OF CONCERN

Lieutenant Jim Edison

- Did Lieutenant Edison comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order 1-1-4B2 [1-7]?
 General Order 1-1-4B2 states:
- 1-1 PERSONNEL CODE OF CONDUCT 1-1-4 Rules of

Conduct

- B. Compliance with Laws, Rules, and Regulations
- 2. Personnel will obey all federal, state, and local laws, all applicable rules and regulations. (Effective 11/14/17) [1-7]
- Did Lieutenant Edison comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order I-I-4D19a [1-7]? General Order I-I-4D19a states:
- 1-1 PERSONNEL CODE OF CONDUCT
- 1-1-4 Rules of Conduct D. On-Duty Conduct
- 19. Personnel will not alter, misrepresent, or make any false statement in any verbal or written report or in any other written document that has been completed in the course of their employment (Effective 11/14/17) [1-7]
- a. Written documents include, but are not limited to reports, citations, public records or documents, public vouchers, overtime slips, leave requests, personnel records, affidavits, or any other written instrument completed by Department personnel.

In addition to those S.O.P. violations already identified, supervisors will review the Issues of concern and identify any other possible S.O.P. infractions.

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1-1-1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish a Code of Conduct for all Department personnel to follow.

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The Department's mission is to assure a safe and secure community by developing a police force that upholds the Constitution and protects the rights of all citizens, and through the shared responsibility of police personnel, government leaders, and the overall community. The Department fairly enforces the laws and protects the lives, property, and safety of Albuquerque citizens, victims, offenders, and its law enforcement officers. In partnership with the community, the Department engages in constitutional policing to promote public safety, and it enforces all laws to reduce crime.

Department personnel, whether sworn or nonsworn, are expected to follow a prescribed code of conduct and to act responsibly whether on or off duty. The Department will hold all personnel accountable for their actions, particularly when those actions reflect adversely on the Department or result in an appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest that may violate the public trust and erode the public's confidence in the Department.

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visiting log the name and phone number of the APD personnel they will visit and their time of entry. All visitors must return the visitor's pass to Security upon departure.

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A. Training

The Department will provide training on the rules of conduct, as detailed in this policy, to all cadets during basic training at the Police Academy. Subsequently, an annual one-hour inservice training will be provided to all officers concerning the rules of conduct. This refresher will be scheduled as an annual in-service training and tracked through the Department's Advanced Training Academy's record maintenance system.

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- All sworn personnel, Prisoner Transport Officers, and Police Service Aides are required to take an oath of office.
- 2. Personnel will obey all federal, state, and local laws, all applicable rules and regulations. Personnel will also enforce those lawful directives while protecting the rights of individuals, as established in the <u>Constitution of the United States</u> and the <u>Constitution of the States</u> and the <u>Constitution of the State</u> of <u>New Mexico</u>. Adherence includes, but is not limited to, obeying all felony, misdemeanor, and traffic laws, applicable local ordinances, as well as all lawfully-issued civil orders of any jurisdiction. Each quarter, the Department will compile and review violation reports to identify trends.
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a. The supervisor, upon receiving notice of a prior conflicting order, bears the responsibility for resolving any such conflict.

b. After notifying the supervisor of the conflicting order, personnel will obey the second, or conflicting, order, unless instructed otherwise by the supervisor.

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12. Personnel will not recommend or suggest to the Department, Department members, or any private citizen, a contracting, employment, procurement, or retention of a particular product, service, or commercial activity.

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 However, this restriction does not apply to personal transactions involving nonofficial department business.
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- 14. Personnel must not act officiously, abuse their lawful authority, or permit their personal feelings, animosities, or friendships to influence their official decisions.
- 15. Personnel will treat the public with respect, courtesy and professionalism at all times.
- 16. Police officers and Department employees are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. Personnel are discouraged from using any language that could be considered profane, derogatory, or disrespectful toward any person. In certain situations, profanity may be acceptable, subject to review on a case-by-case basis.
- 17. Personnel will obtain information from the public in an official, prompt, and courteous manner, and they will then act upon it in a proper and judicious manner within the scope of their duties. Personnel who use this information will take prompt, timely, and appropriate action.
- 18. Personnel will have an operating telephone in their residence(s), either a landline and/or a cell phone. Personnel will report any changes to telephone numbers or addresses to their supervisor and to the Personnel Management Division within two working days of the change.

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ISSUES OF CONCERN

Deputy Chief Michael Smathers

- Did Deputy Chief Michael Smathers comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order I-I-4B6b [1-7]? General Order I-I-4B6b states:
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- Did Deputy Chief Michael Smathers comply with Albuquerque Police Department Administrative Order 3-14-4A15 [6-7]? Administrative Order 3-14-4A15 states:
- 3-14 SUPERVISORY LEADERSHIP 3-14-4 Procedures
- A. All supervisors, regardless of the level of supervision, will:
- 15. Review, and forward as appropriate any reports or documents prepared by subordinates. (Effective 09/29/16) [6-7]

In addition to those S.O.P. violations already identified, supervisors will review the issues of concern and identify any other possible S.O.P. infractions.

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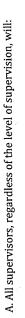
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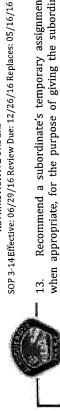
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- Enforce and apply all directives, policies and procedures applicable to that supervisor's area of responsibility in full accordance with Constitutional protections for individuals.
- Act as a liaison or intermediary between those above and below them in the chain of command, and transmit information, directives, orders and communications as necessary.
- Establish and promote professional, ethical and lawful behavior from their subordinates.
- 5. Instruct, advise, coach and mentor subordinates in the performance of their duties.
- 6. Evaluate subordinates for effectiveness, efficiency and adherence to directives, policies and procedures, the department's mission statement, vision and core values, Constitutional standards as well as federal state and municipal law.
- 7. Document and report conduct not in compliance with law or policy. Take steps necessary to improve the subordinate's performance.
- 8. Convey a sense of pride and professionalism to all subordinates.
- Hold accountable those subordinates who persist in failing to carry out directives, policies, procedures and plans established by the Chief of Police, the Constitution or the laws of the state or municipality.
- 10. Initiate or recommend commendations when a subordinate's performance is extraordinary and far exceeds normal and customary adherence to employment responsibilities.
- 11. Initiate or recommend disciplinary action when a subordinate's performance significantly departs or deviates from the directives, policies, procedures and plans established by the Chief of Police, or constitutes a violation of federal, state or municipal law.
- 12. Maintain accurate monthly records of a subordinate's work related activities.

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Recommend a subordinate's temporary assignment to specialty units, when appropriate, for the purpose of giving the subordinate knowledge and allowing the subordinate to gain experience in the specialty unit.

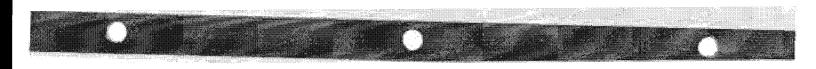
- 14. Identify any subordinate's training deficiencies, and require training or retraining as necessary using the APD Mandatory Training Recommendation Form.
- 15. Review, and forward as appropriate any reports or documents prepared by subordinates.
- 16. Document and report any allegation or complaint of on the job harassment (including sexual harassment) or discrimination to the Department's Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Coordinator (APD Personnel Manager) in accordance with the Harassment Policy.
- 17. Additionally, sworn supervisors shall:
- a. Review and report all arrest reports for any subordinate within the area of the supervisor's area of authority.
- b. If assigned to the Field Services Bureau, ensure that subordinates attend at least two community meetings annually which are open to the public, such as the Community Outreach and Public Information Program. Record and maintain records of subordinates' attendance at such meetings. Address and respond to areas of community concern that may be raised at such meetings, and record any reported issue or area of concern on monthly reports.

B. Uses of Force

to report and document the use of force, classify the use of force, and investigate where For all known uses offeree, supervisors will report to the scene of any use offeree in order appropriate, in accordance with the Use of Force Reporting and Supervisory Investigation Requirements SOP.

C. On Body Recording Devices

to ensure functionality, and will requisition repair and replacement as necessary if subordinates involved in a use of force, injury, show of force, or foot pursuit. Supervisors will also review any recordings of a subordinate that are the subject alleged misconduct reported to that supervisor. In addition, supervisors will review at least two other recordings per month from each assigned individual and incorporate any knowledge gained from all of these reviews into ongoing evaluation and supervision. Supervisors devices are not functioning properly. Supervisors will review recordings for any shall make a note on the monthly inspection form, if positive feedback and/or training Supervisors will comply with the On-Body Recording Devices SOP and ensure that all officers under their command have appropriate equipment and comply with the policy as well. Supervisors will inspect recording devices used by their officers at least monthly opportunities arise during the reviews.



INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21 INVESTIGATOR: Dct. A. Zamora ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT Summary of

Internal Affairs Request 11AR)

On April 27, 2021, Commander (Cmdr.) Elizabeth Armijo completed a BlueTeam entry and an interoffice memorandum alleging potential misconduct involving Lieutenant (LL) Jim Edison.

Investigation

On May 3,2021,1 was assigned this Internal Affairs administrative investigation.

As part of this investigation, 1 reviewed Cmdr. Armijo's LAR and interoffice memorandum, which are included in this investigation for the reader's review (refer to the attached documents for details). I also reviewed Lt Edison's Telestaff to include his overtime and accrued comp time for the month of April 2021 (Refer to Lt Edison's attached Telestaff for details.) This investigation is very similar to Detective Whitney Burton's LAPS investigation (1-152-21), which also involved overtime being claimed as "call-out."

According to Commander Armilo's memorandum the following events occurred:

On April 24, 2021, Lt. Edison was transferred to the Homeland Security Division reporting to Cmdr. Armijo. On Friday, April 23,2021 (the day prior to Lt. Edison's transfer to Cmdr. Armijo's supervision) DC Smathers asked Cmdr. Armijo (via text message) to ensure Lt. Edison's transfer was completed and for her to do his payroll approval (Friday, April 23, was the pay period ending date).

On Friday, April 23, 2021, Lt. Armijo logged into Telestaff and checked (for the first time) to see if she had access to Lt Edison's Telestaff entries and discovered she did have access. Lt. Armijo observed that Lt. Edison had claimed a large number of overtime entries for the pay period. The only Telestaff entries she looked over were the entries from the preceding fourteen days and no others (from 4/9/21 - 4/23/21).

Cmdr. Armijo became concerned with Lt. Edison's overtime entries and did not feel comfortable approving his overtime. On April 23,2021, Cmdr. Armijo met with DC Smathers and advised him of her concerns with Lt. Edison's overtime. DC Smathers told her "I don't want you to do anything you're not comfortable with." Cmdr. Armijo's issues of concern included the following:

- 1. Lt Edison claimed many overtime "call-outs" that pay period which appeared to consist of phone calls that he forwarded to Detective (Det.) Jones to handle. Lt Edison also appeared to be doing a lot of proactive administrative work outside of business hours and was utilizing "call-out" overtime justification for the administrative work.
- 2. Lt. Edison sent COVID-19 statistic emails almost every morning and claimed a minimum of two hours of "OT call-out" for sending them. These emails appeared to require minimal updating from day to day and it did not seem reasonable that the standard, routine updates each morning would require two hours to complete.
- 3. Lt Edison was on-call every week despite Lt Edison working with at least three officers, a PSA, and one civilian. Cmdr. Armijo questioned why Lt Edison needed to he on-call every week and why the on-call schedule was not

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rotated. She knew from a previous conversation with Lt. Edison (MNESTIGATION: 1-247-24 and days off (4/16 - 4/19) and that someone would have had to handle the phone calls and COVID needs without him, so it seemed possible to her that the on-call schedule could be rotated within the unit.

Because Lt. Edison was on-call, routine and brief calls and emails pertaining to his duties should have been understood as part of his on-call responsibilities and not claimed as a "call-out." Special Order 20-85 (amended SOP 3-20-4.E.3) also indicates, "Call-out overtime shall only be used in cases requiring immediate intervention by personnel who are off-duty... for personnel who are off-duty to reportfor duty. "Brief administrative work does not meet the requirement of reporting for duty. (Refer to Cmdr. Armijo's attached memorandum for details).

On April 26, 2021, Cmdr. Armijo held an introductory meeting with Lt. Edison. During the meeting, she discussed his April overtime and his on-call status. Lt. Edison allegedly was not happy with the changes and chose to transfer out of the unit. On April 26, 2021, Cmdr. Armijo text DC Smathers and informed him Lt. Edison became defensive during the meeting. DC Smathers text Cmdr. Armijo telling her he was told by Chief Harold Medina of comments she allegedly made regarding Lt. Edison's attorney John D'Amato.

Cmdr. Armijo believed Lt Edison had intentionally misrepresented their conversation and that nothing Cmdr. Armijo said could have been remotely misconstrued into the message allegedly relayed to Mr. D'Amato. Cmdr. Armijo had concerns about how Lt Edison was claiming overtime and that she did not want to get disciplined for approving overtime he claimed that was in violation of policy or contract. Cmdr. Armijo believed she had more than reasonable objections about Lt Edison's overtime entries.

During the course of the preliminary investigation, it was also discovered Lt. Edison was claiming

2- hours of overtime (under "call-out") for "COVID stats" emails that he was sending every day in the very early morning hours. He was claiming this overtime without receiving a "call back to work" (per the CBA is "when an officer is called to work at a period other than his/her regularly scheduled working hours, he/she is guaranteed pay at either his/her hourly overtime rate for two

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Special Order 20-85: Overtime, Compensatory Time, and Work Shift Designation

The investigation found that in 2020, Lt. Edison was tasked (by DC Smathers) to revamp and author a new overtime policy based on previous issues pertaining to overtime. On October 29, 2020, Special Order 20-85 was disseminated and temporarily in place until the approval process was complete for a new SOP on overtime. Lt. Edison authored the new special order on overtime.

The special order was in place during the time periods of April 2021, and is currently still in place.

The following are the areas found within SO 20-85 that were issues of concern during the course of the investigation.

- 3- 20-4 Rules, Responsibilities, and Procedures A. Overtime
- 4. All overtime, with the exception of court overtime and COT, must be pre-approved by the on-duly supervisor and recorded on a daily basis within the payroll time keeping system that the personnel has been assigned.
- 5. When possible, personnel working during normal business hours shall schedule work-related meetings, interviews, or appointments during their shifts. If personnel cannot schedule meetings, interviews, or appointments during their shift(s), they shall notify their immediate supervisor and obtain approval from their commander before scheduling meetings, interviews, or appointments during off-duty hours.
- 6. When possible, personnel shall consolidate appointments or meetings to reduce overtime expenditures.
- 1. Overtime/Comp Time Approval
- 3. Call-Out Overtime

All call-out overtime shall only be used in cases requiring immediate intervention by personnel who are off-duty. Requests for personnel who are off-duty to report for duty shall only be made by an on-scene supervisor. Only the necessary personnel are to be called out. Call-out overtime must be reviewed every hour by an on-duty supervisor who shall evaluate the need for the continued use of overtime.

City of Albunuerune and Albuquerque Police Officers Association Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). FLSA. & Labor Laws

This section will review the applicable sections relevant to the investigation, which will reference

3.2 "Overtime," 3.3 "Compensatory Time," 3.4 "Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)," and 11.2 "On-Call and Call Backs."

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IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21 INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora This section of the CBA explains that employees are entitled to overtime compensation at the rate of time-and-one-half their regular straight-time rate when they perform work in excess of forty (40) hours in any one work week.

3.2 Overtime

Note: There is a 12-Hour MOU in place within the contract, which as of the date of this investigation was in effect, however, the Department no longer implements 12-hour shifts.

3.3 Compensatory Time

3.3.1 Time worked over 40 hours per week will be compensated at 1-1/2 times the officer's regular rate of pay, or in the form of compensatory time. Compensatory time will be computed at the rate of 1-1/2 time the hours worked. The maximum accrual of comp time for any officer, including Aviation Police, is 150 hours.

3.4 Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)

- 3.4.1 Under the FLSA, paid leave is not considered time worked for the purpose of computing overtime and the regular rate for the purpose of computing overtime includes all remunerations (money paid for work or a service).
- 3.4.2 The parties hereto agree that for the purpose of computing overtime, paid leave will be considered time worked and the regular rate includes the hourly rate with no other remunerations included.

11.2 On-Call and Call Backs

- 11.2.1 On-call status shall be defined as the ability of an officer to assume full responsibilities of the officer's assignment with one (1) hours' notice. The standards for the assumption of these responsibilities shall be those required by the FLS A's Rules and Regulations for standby time.
- 11.2.2 Call-Back Time: When an officer is called to work at a period other than his/her regularly scheduled working hours, he/she is guaranteed pay at either his/her hourly overtime rate for two



- 11.2.3 Time shall be computed from the time of notification.
- 11.2.4 When an employee is assigned to on-call status, the officer will receive eight (8) hours of straight compensatory time for each seven (7) days of such assignment. If an officer is on-call on a day-to-day basis, the officer will receive two(2) hours of straight compensatory time for every twenty-four hours of such assignment, not to exceed eight (8) hours in a week.

Note: The comp time claimed is at straight time (1 hour-for-1 hour), compared to Administrative comp time (1 hour = 1.5 hours of comp time) (Refer to the CBA contract for further details).

From a previous investigation (1-152-21) related to overtime and compensatory time, Det. Burton spoke with APOA Union President Shaun Willoughby, and APOA Union Attorney Fred Mowrer was present. They explained an officer was entitled to on-call comp time when in an on-call status. If on-call for a 24-hour period the officer can claim 2-hours of on-call comp time, or if on-call for the entire week the officer can claim 8-hours of on-call comp time. The comp time claimed was explained as an officer being compensated for the inconvenience of being on-call. During the explanation of claiming overtime, it was stated (by both Mr. Mowrer and Det. Willoughby) an officer could report to work, actually go to a call-out and receive a minimum of 2-hours of time or the time that is actually worked. Det. Willoughby also explained that officers could claim 2-hours of overtime if an officer could show a "work product," work that was completed and can be proven an employee had actual work related to a phone call. (Note this "work product" is not defined per the CBA or FLSA)

• Note: Through the course of the 1-152-21 investigation, Det. Burton interviewed several investigative sergeants who all worked in on-call statuses, within various specialized areas of the Department. All sergeants stated they never claimed phone calls while they were on- call; the 8-hours of comp time were to handle the miscellaneous phone calls received during the week. (Stipulated in APOA Contract, section 11.2) The only time that overtime (or comp time) could be obtained was when they were requested and reported to the scene of an incident. There were sergeants who indicated 2-hours of overtime could be claimed if the phone call lasted over 15 minutes. This is also coupled with SO 20-85: Call-out: "All call-out overtime shall only be used in cases requiring immediate intervention by personnel who are off-duty. Requests for personnel who are off-duty to report for duty shall only be made by an on-scene supervisor. Only the necessary personnel are to be called out. Callout overtime must be reviewed every hour by an on-duty supervisor who shall evaluate the need for the continued use of overtime. (Refer to SO 20-85; CBA and FLSA)

The "call-out" code is a code widely known throughout the Department related to being called out to a scene in reference to ongoing investigations. Other Internal Affairs investigations and interviews revealed that call-outs are widely known as detectives/officers responding to a scene to further investigate situations, such as: SWAT call-outs. Impact, Sex Crimes, Crimes Against Children, Narcotics, Fatal Traffic Crashes, etc. Throughout the Albuquerque Police Department's existence various new units are added or taken away based on the needs of the City of Albuquerque, for example: the Gun Violent Reduction Unit, Street Crimes Unit, Night Detectives, etc. The COVID-19 Response Unit is an additional division that was

mplemented based on the needs of the Department.

Per FLSA overtime and time rounding rules: "Employees time for one to seven minutes may be rounded down, and not counted towards the employee's hours worked, but employee time for eight to 14 minutes must be rounded up and counted as a quarter hour of worked time. (Refer to Time Rounding Rules under FLSA)

FLSA "Call-Back" definition: pay is extra compensation paid to an employee for responding to a call from the employer to perform extra work that was **unanticipated by the employer**. Such pay is in addition to the compensation for the time actually worked. Callback pay is in addition to the compensation for the time actually worked. Callback pay may be excluded from the regular rate provided the callback was not prearranged. (**Refer to FLSA definition**)



Albuquerque Police Department COVID-19 Rules

On April 15, 2020, former Chief of Police Michael Geier signed Special Order 20-26, which indicated that all information and Department protocol regarding COVID-19 will be posted to the department's protopage (http://www.nrotopaue.eom/apdweb.cabq.iiox#COVID19).

Any information and/or instructions posted on this site will fall under this Special Order. (Refer to Special Order 20-26)

In the protocols section located under COVID-19 on the protopage, is the "Frequently Asked Questions." This protocol portion, to include the frequently asked questions, was drafted by Lt. Edison. The protocols were signed off on by DC constraint that Chief April 19 Medina

Smathers and then Chief Geier, and eventually adopted by Chief of Police Harold Medina.

Upon reviewing that document, there were listed protocols for employees who have been exposed or claimed to have tested positive for COVID and the employee was not wearing PPE. One of the first steps listed was "Call Lt Edison and self-isolate if possible until a decision has been made. Add comments to the CAD. Add a "hazard" to the property once you know the true status of "source" who reside at this location. Stop the spread to the community. "The instruction states to call Lt Edison (telephone number listed three times on the last page: 505-280-2592) for all "high-risk" exposures, not feeling well, possibility of symptoms, or family (live in same household) does not feel well.

The second portion of the protocols states: "Once I call Lt. Edison what happens next?"

• Lt Edison will ask you about your contact with the "source" of COVID-19: (There are a total of eight questions asked following your call to Lt Edison)

(Note: This portion of the protocol indicates Lt. Edison will answer the phone calls and conduct the investigation into the situation. [Refer to the attached frequently asked questions page for details].)

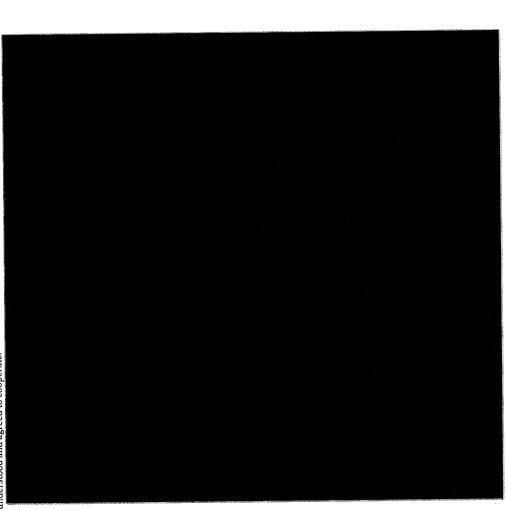


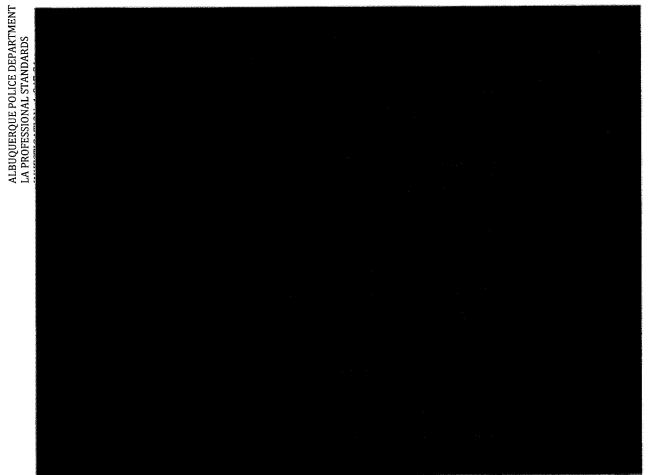
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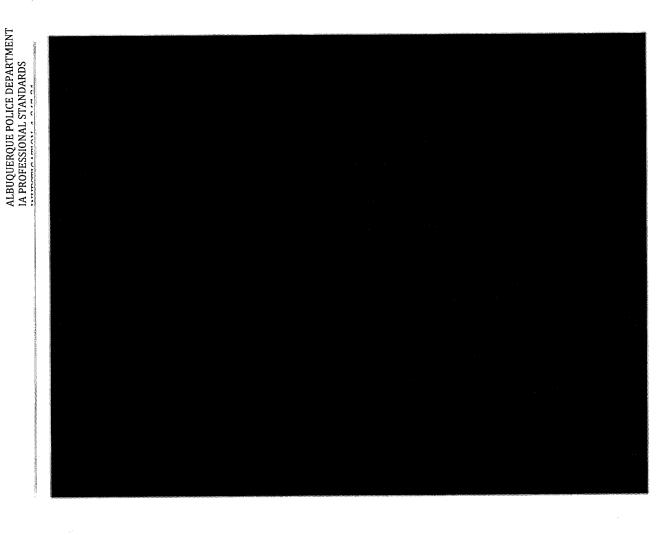
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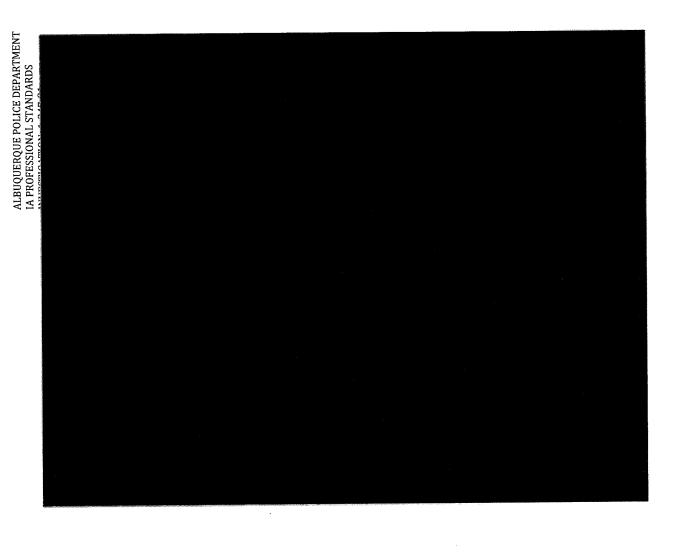
I interviewed Cmdr. Armijo on May 12, 2021.1 informed Cmdr. Armijo she was a witness in the investigation, the interview was being recorded and the Chief of Police considered the investigation confidential. Cmdr. Armijo indicated she understood and agreed to cooperate.

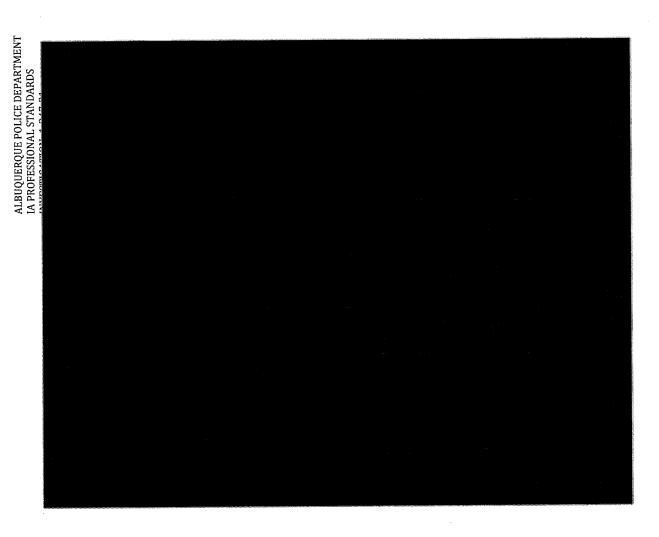




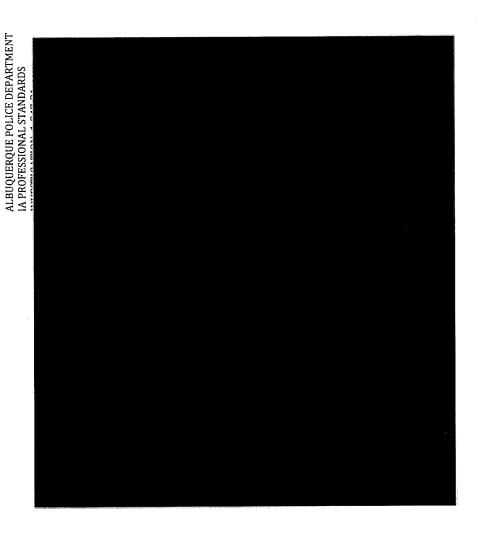
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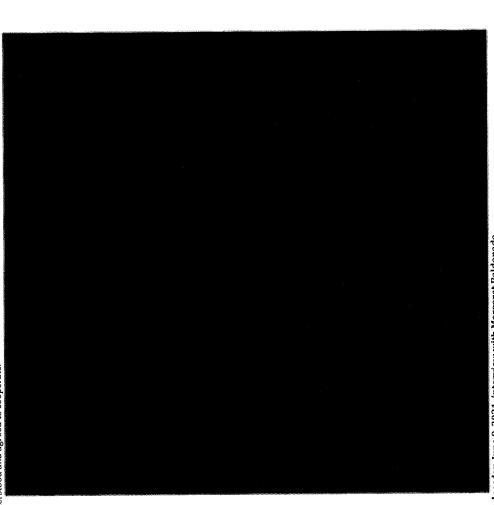




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Wednesday, Mav 19. 2021. 2nd interview with Commander Elizabeth ANMEGTIGATION: 1-247-20 INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora

Interviewed Cmdr. Armijo on May 19, 2021.1 informed Cmdr. Armijo she was a witness ofthe investigation, the interview was being recorded and the Chief of Police considered the investigation confidential. Cmdr. Armijo indicated she understood and agreed to cooperate.



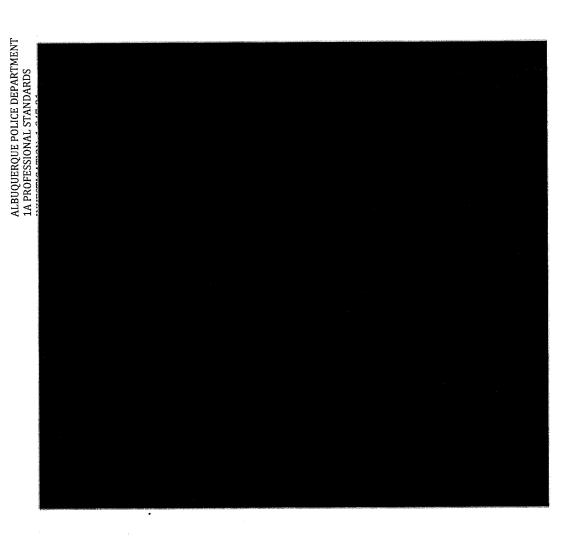
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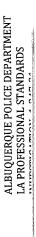
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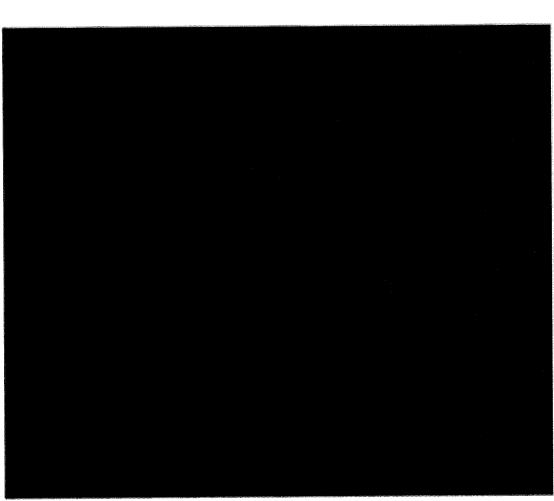
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I interviewed DC Smathers on June 22, 2021. Also present during this interview was IAPS Manager Paul Skotchdopole. Iinformed DC Smathers he was a subject of the investigation, the interview was being recorded and the Chief of Police considered the investigation confidential. Cmdr. Smathers indicated he understood and agreed to cooperate.





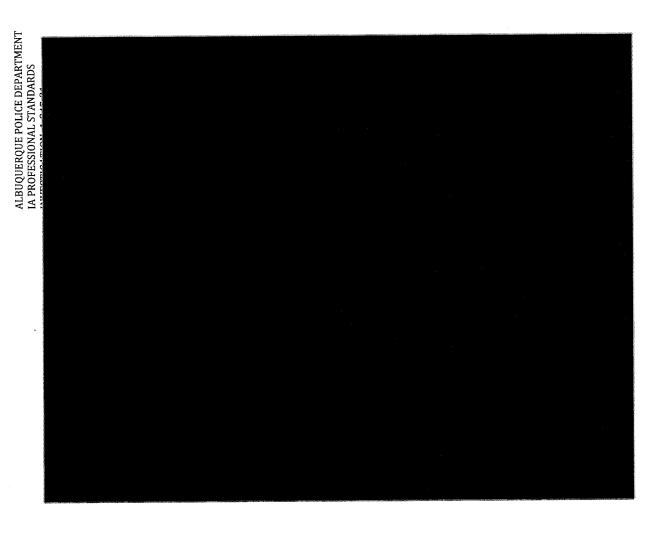


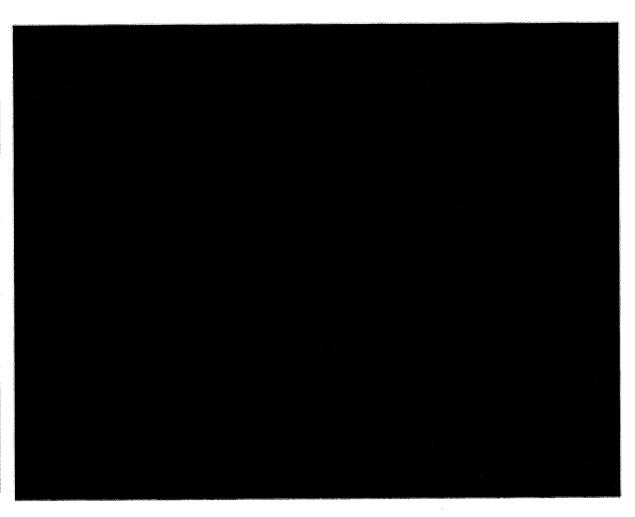


Wednesday, June 30. 2021, Interview with Lt. Jim Edison

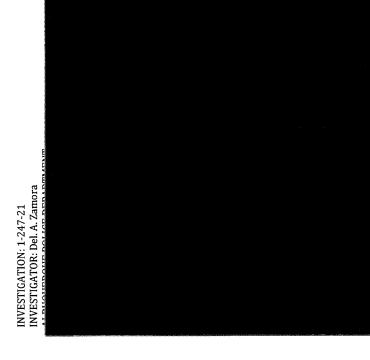
I interviewed Lt. Edison on June 30, 2021. Present during this interview was his attorney, John D'Amato. Also present during this interview was LAPS Manager Paul Skotchdopole. I informed Lt. Edison he was a subject of the investigation, the interview was being recorded and the Chief of Police considered the investigation confidential. Lt. Edison indicated he

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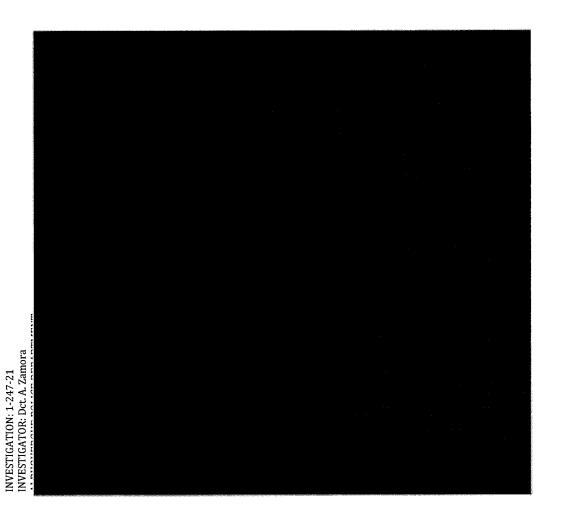
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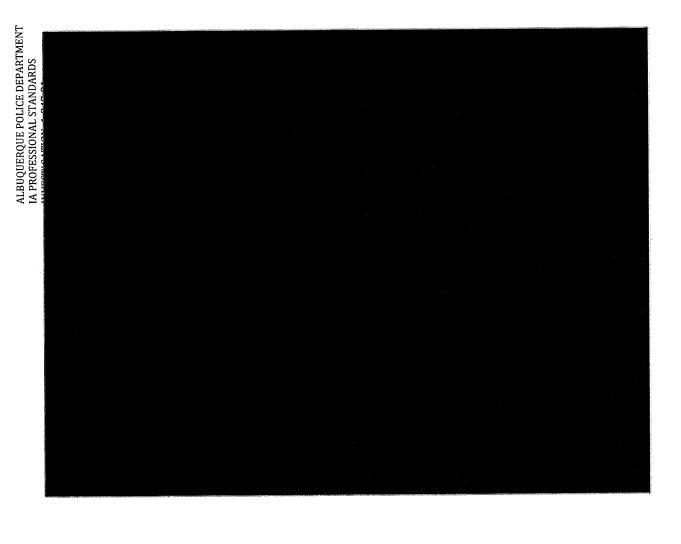
Fritjay, July 2,2Q21, 2nd Interview with Lt Jim Edison

I continued with my interview with Lt. Edison on July 2, 2021. Present during this interview was his attorney, John D'Amato. Also present during this interview was LAPS Manager Paul Skotchdopole. I informed Lt. Edison he was a subject of the investigation, the interview was being recorded and the Chief of Police considered the investigation confidential. Lt. Edison indicated he understood and agreed to cooperate.





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Investigator's notes



2 hours overtime for listening to the voicemail, forwarding the voicemail, and then reviewing the email generated by the detective. Lt. Edison was on-call every week despite having at least two officers on-call as well. Cmdr. Armijo also knew from a previous conversation with Lt. Edison (via text message) that he had taken some days off (4/16 - 4/19) and that someone would have had to handle phone calls and COVID needs without him, so it seemed possible the on-call schedule could be rotated in the unit Because Lt. Edison was on-call, routine and brief calls and emails pertaining to his duties should have been understood as part of his on-call responsibilities and not claimed as a "call-out." Special Order 20-85 (amended SOP 3-20-4.E.3) also indicates, "call-out overtime shall only be used in cases requiring immediate intervention by personnel who are off-duty." Brief administrative work does not meet the requirement of "reporting for duty."

Additionally, Lt. Edison was sending Covid-19 statistic emails almost every morning and was claiming two hours of "OT call-out" for sending the email. These emails appeared to require minimal updating from day to day and it did not seem reasonable that the standard, routine updates each morning would require two hours to complete. DC Smathers said 99% of these emails could have been sent to him during normal work hours. On April 21,2021, at 0734 hours, DC Smathers sent Cmdr. Armijo and Lt. Edison an email regarding COVID-19 stats. The email reads: "I think we can finally scale these reports down to once per week on Mondays so please adjust accordingly. Jim your work on COVID has been instrumental in keeping APD Junctioning at a high level and I cannot thank you enough for the work of you and your team " (Refer to DC Smathers' attached email for details).

Lt. Edison consistently claimed overtime for receiving notifications from an APD Employees, listening to the voicemail, forwarding the voicemail, and reviewing emails generated and sent by COVID Detectives. This should not be claimed as call-out overtime and appears to be part of his routine on-call responsibilities. This overtime does not appear to meet the APOA collective bargaining agreement (CBA) contractual justification for a call-out or meet the requirement of a call-out per Special Order 20-85 (amended SOP 3-20-4E3) and appears to be proactive administrative work.

Lt. Edison claimed Starchase training as "call-out" overtime. Lt. Edison said because he was the trainer, he was not required to adjust his hours, however per Department SO 20-85 training overtime: "Training shall normally be conducted during designated duty hours and work hours

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shall be adjusted to meet training needs. "Additionally, 3-20-4A4 (overtime) requires: "All overtime, with the exception of court overtime and COT, must be preapproved by the on-duty supervisor... "Per SO 20-85, he should not have claimed the training as overtime and Lt. Edison was required to adjust his work hours to meet the training needs.

On April 21,2021, Lt. Edison again claimed 1.5 hours "call-out" overtime from 0700-0830 hours for "COVID-19 and Star Chase follow up on cases with Jones. Training new operators and trainers for Star Chase." DC Smathers said he was unaware Lt. Edison was claiming the training as COVID related. (Refer to Lt. Edison's attached timesheet and SO 20-85 for details).

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During my interview with Lt. Edison, he sai

(Note: During Det. Burton's investigation, she found that Lt. Edison attempted to schedule a meeting with Central Payroll Supervisor Ms. Stewart on August 17, 2020. On August 24, 2020, Lt. Edison wrote and c

Arguez who discussed coding and could not indicate if the time code was within APOA contract or SOP. Det. Burton's investigation also found that Ms. Duran could not recall ever having a meeting with Lt Edison about call-out over time as Lt Edison indicated. She wrote in an email that it was not at the direction of payroll to determine if the time claimed was valid, it was on the supervisor (DC Smathers) to determine if the time claimed was valid and allowed) (Refer to Lt Edison's attached mails provided by Lt Edison).

Cmdr. Armijo identified SOP 1-1-4D19 as a possible issue of concern as she believed Lt. Edison may have spoken with Chief Medina or DC Smathers and provided them with inaccurate information regarding their meeting and what she allegedly said to Lt. Edison. The text message conversation Cmdr. Armijo and DC Smathers had is evidence that Lt Edison spoke with Mr. D'Amato. Mr. D'Amato communicated with Chief Medina, who then spoke with DC Smathers, and Smathers related the information to Cmdr. Armijo.

Cmdr. Armijo also identified SOP 1-1-4D20 as a possible issue of concern as she believed Lt. Edison was not appropriately claiming his overtime that he made on his Telestaff timesheet entries. After this investigation concluded, it was determined this SOP was not applicable and SOP 1-1-4D19 (sanction 1-7) was identified as an issue of concern and was SUSTAINED.

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Lieutenant lim Edison

1. Did Lieutenant Edison comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order 1-1-4B2 [1-7]? General Order 1-1-4B2 states:

1-1 PERSONNEL CODE OF CONDUCT

1-1-4 Rules of Conduct

B. Compliance with Laws, Rules, and Regulations

2. Personnel will obey all federal, state, and local laws, all applicable rules and regulations. (Effective 11/14/17) [1-7] The alleged misconduct concerned whether or not Lt. Edison complied with all applicable rules and regulations (SO 20-26, SO 20-85, and SOP 3-20). The investigation determined Lt. Edison claimed 2 hours of COVID-19 "call-out" overtime for listening to the voicemail, forwarding the voicemail to one of his detectives, and then reviewing the email generated by the Because Lt. Edison was "on-call" and received the phone call during his off duty hours, and performed the "work" Lt. Edison did, did not fall under the APOA contract due to Lt. Edison failing to follow and assume the person to leave a voicemail. Lt. Edison was not asking the person questions about the employees contact with the "source" of COVID-19 as he stipulated from April 15, 2020, signed Special Order 20-26. Lt. Edison claimed overtime (automatic 2-hours) for listening to a voicemail, forwarding voicemails for case managers to work above tasks, he believed he was entitled to claimed overtime (automatic 2-hours). The investigation found the full responsibilities of his duties for a "call-out." Additionally he was not answering his phone and allowing the the investigations, and reviewing the emails his detectives generated. Furthermore, on April 15, 2021, Lt. Edison held a team-planning meeting and claimed COVID call-out overtime from 1630-1900 hours. The team meeting does not appear urgent and appears to be a meeting that could have taken place during normal business hours. Special Order 20-85 section 3-20-4A5 in part reads: "When possible, personnel working during normal working business hours shall schedule work-related meetings, interviews, or appointments during their shift(s). Additionally, 3-20-4A4 (overtime) requires: "All overtime, with the exception of court overtime and COT, must be preapproved by the on-duty supervisor...

with the exception of court overtime and COT, must be preapproved by the on-duty supervisor..." Per SO 20-85 he On April 7, and April 20, 2021, Lt Edison claimed overtime Starchase training. Lt Edison said because he was the trainer, he was not required to adjust his hours however per Department Special Order 20-85 subsection 3-20-4E12a-b (Training Overtime) reads: "Training shall normally be conducted during designated duty hours. should not have been claiming the training as overtime and Lt Edison was required to adjust his work hours to Work hours shall be adjusted to meet training needs. "Additionally, 3-20-4A4 (overtime) requires: "All overtime,

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meet the training needs.

recommend

Detective Anastacio Zamora IA Professional Standards RECOMMENDED FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Lieutenant Jim Edison

 Did Lieutenant Edison comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order I-I-4D19a [1-7]? General Order I-I-4D19a states:

1-1 PERSONNEL CODE OF CONDUCT 1-1-4

Rules of Conduct D. On-Duty Conduct

19. Personnel will not alter, misrepresent, or make any false statement in any verbal or written report or in any other written document that has been completed in the course of their employment (Effective 11/14/11) [1-7] a. Written documents include, but are not limited to reports, citations, public records or documents, public vouchers, overtime slips, leave requests, personnel records, affidavits, or any other written instrument completed by Department personnel

The alleged misconduct concerned whether or not Lt. Edison misrepresented his Telestaff timesheets.

The investigation determined Lt. Edison was consistently claiming every day, 2 hours of "callout" overtime for sending COVID stats sheets. Lt. Edison was not called back to work and began working at his own choosing. Working on and submitting COVID stats for review is not a "callout." DC Smathers did not order or direct Lt. Edison to send these stat sheets in the very early morning hours but Lt. Edison chose to work on and email the stat sheets during the hours that he did. DC Smathers said 99% of the time the COVID stats could have been emailed during Lt. Edison's normal working hours; Lt Edison's working hours are from 0830 hours to 1630 hours.

On April 15, 2021, Lt. Edison claimed 2.5 hours of COVID call-out overtime from 1630-1900 hours. On this same date, he also claimed 4.5 hours of call-out overtime from 1800-2230 hours. Became Lt. Edison was already being paid overtime from 1630-1900 hours, he should not have also claimed from 1800-2300 hours.

ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21 INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora Additionally, on April 20, 2021, Lt. Edison claimed 1.5 hours of call-out overtime from 0700- 0830 hours with the following Telestaff notes: "Starchase training for Department at MHQ. Leading instruction and meetings with operators both old and new." Additionally Lt. Edison claimed 1.5 hours of COVID call-out overtime from 1630-1800 hours, with the following Telestaff notes: "Covid 19 and starchase training: training multiple officers in starchase and follow up on Covid cases IE Bowie, Lamarcus." Lt. Edison said he did not adjust his hours for the Starchase training (per Special Order 20-85) because he was the trainer, not the trainee and because COVID did not stop, he still needed to work (Lt. Edison's transcribed statements pages 23-25 lines 1022-1085). Starchase training is not related to COVID, Furthermore, Det. Eichel generated an email to Acting Commander Bowie reference household COVID testing. Det. Eichel did not put in overtime for completing and sending this email (Note Det. Eichel's working hours are from 0800 hours to 1800 hours. Lt Edison's working hours are from 0830 hours to 1630 hours). Lt. Edison claimed reviewing and approving Det. James Eichel on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 1812 hours.

This overtime does not appear to meet the APOA collective bargaining agreement (CBA) contractual justification for a "call-out" or meet the requirement of a "call-out" per Special Order 20-85 (amended SOP 3-20-4E3) and appears to be proactive administrative work.

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INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora RECOMMENDED FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Deputy Chief of Police Michael Smathers

1. Did Deputy Chief Michael Smathers comply with Albuquerque Police Department General Order section I-I-4B6b [1-7]? General Order section I-I-4B6b states:

1-1 PERSONNEL CODE OF CONDUCT 1-1-4 Rules of

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B. Compliance with Laws, Rules, and Regulations

6. Personnel will perform any act required by the City's or Department's rules, regulations, directives, orders, or settlement agreement.

 b. All supervisors will also be held accountable for identifying and responding to policy or procedure violations by personnel under their command. (Effective 11/14/17) [1-7] The alleged misconduct concerned whether or not DC Smathers violated this policy by failing to follow Department rules and policies or identifying and responded to policy or procedure violations by Lt Edison.

The investigation found that Lt. Edison was claiming large amounts of COVID "call-out" overtime each week to include 8 hours of comp time for being "on-call" each week. DC Smathers said in regards to Lt. Edison overtime, Lt. Edison ensured him he was following the spirt and the letter of the SOP. DC Smathers said he did not review Lt. Edison's Telestaff but was constantly having conversations with Lt. Edison about him ensuring him and his COVID Unit were documenting the overtime "correctly, properly and ethically."

Although it was alleged that DC Smathers had Lt. Edison conduct an audit to ensure the overtime he was claiming was correctly code, there is no evidence that DC Smathers conducted any follow-up with anyone (except Lt. Edison) to ensure things were done correctly.

Lt. Edison's overtime entries did not appear to meet the APOA collective bargaining agreement (CBA) contractual justification for a "call-out" or meet the requirement of a "call-out" per Special Order 20-85 (amended SOP 3-20-4E3) and appears to be proactive administrative work DC Smathers failed to ensure Lt. Edison was correctly coding his overtime and failed to identify that the overtime claimed was not within Department policy.

ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21 INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora

Defective Anastacio Zamora 1A Professional Standards

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ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora RECOMMENDED FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21

Deputy Chief of Police Michael Smathers

2. Did Deputy Chief Michael Smathers comply with Albuquerque Police Department Administrative Order section 3-14-4A15 [6-7]? Administrative Order section 3-14-4A15 states:

3-14 SUPERVISORY LEADERSHIP 3-14-4 Procedures

A. All supervisors, regardless of the level of supervision, will:

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Albuquerque Police Department Chain of Command Case Review Instructions

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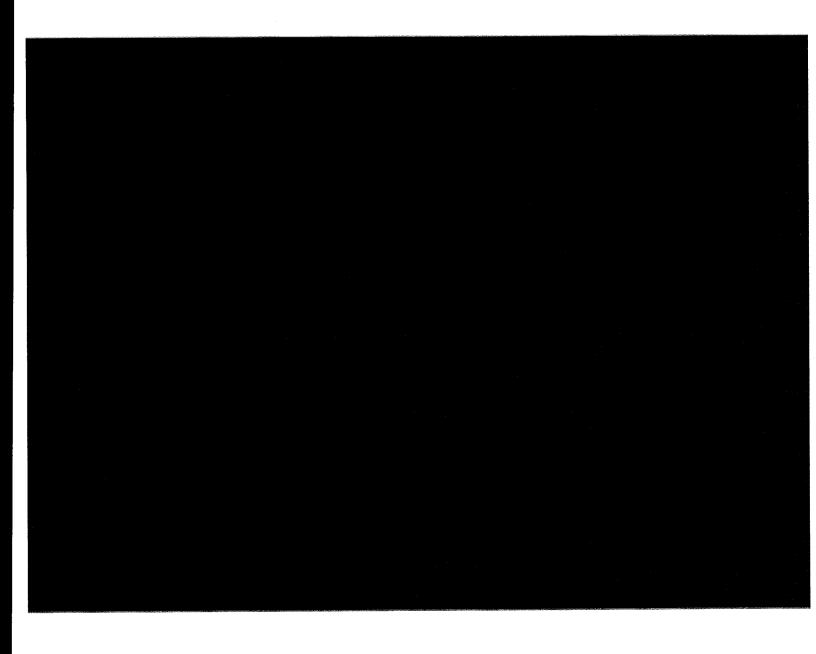
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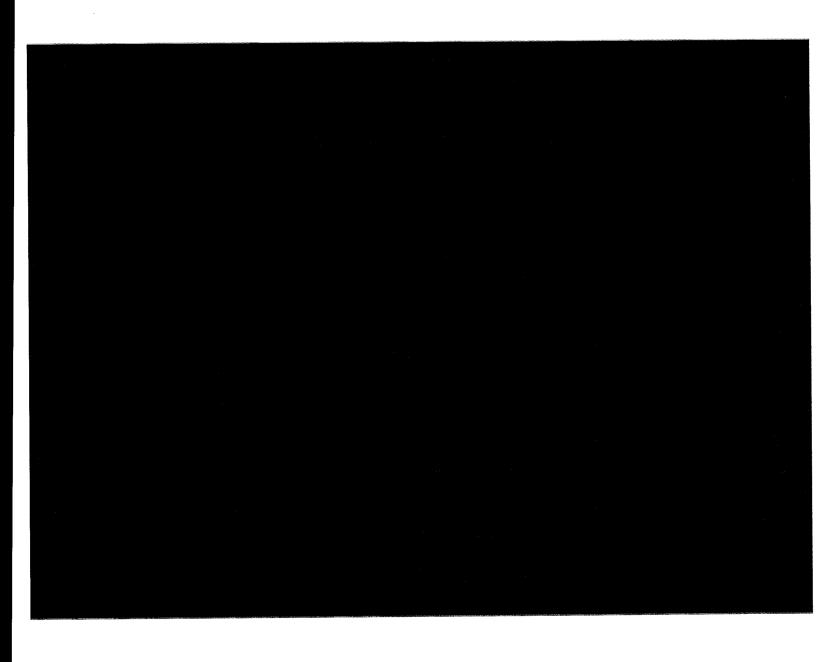
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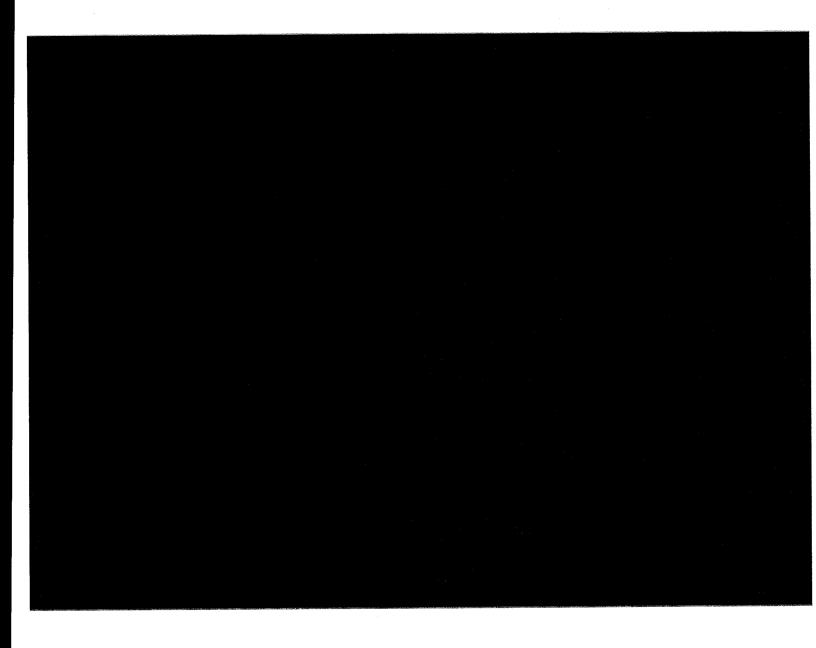
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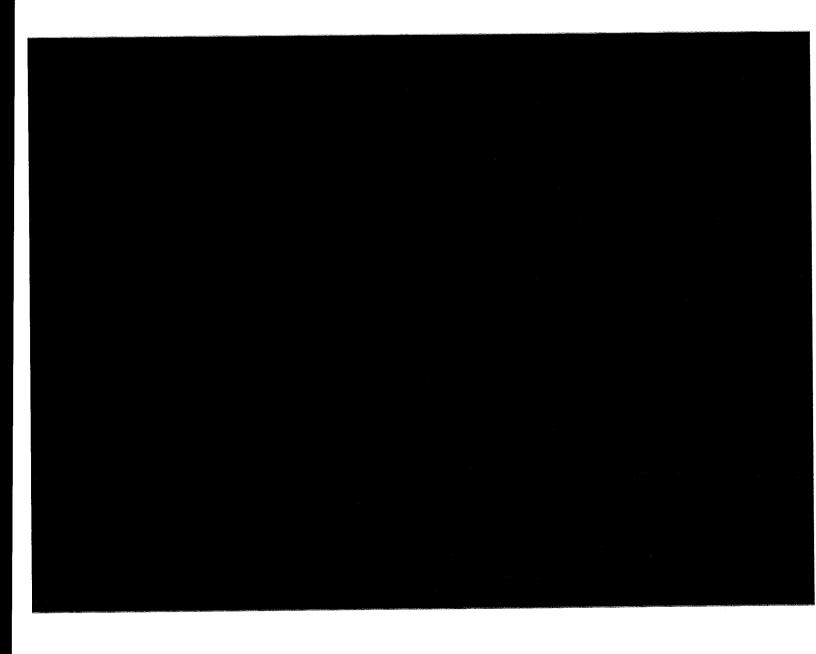
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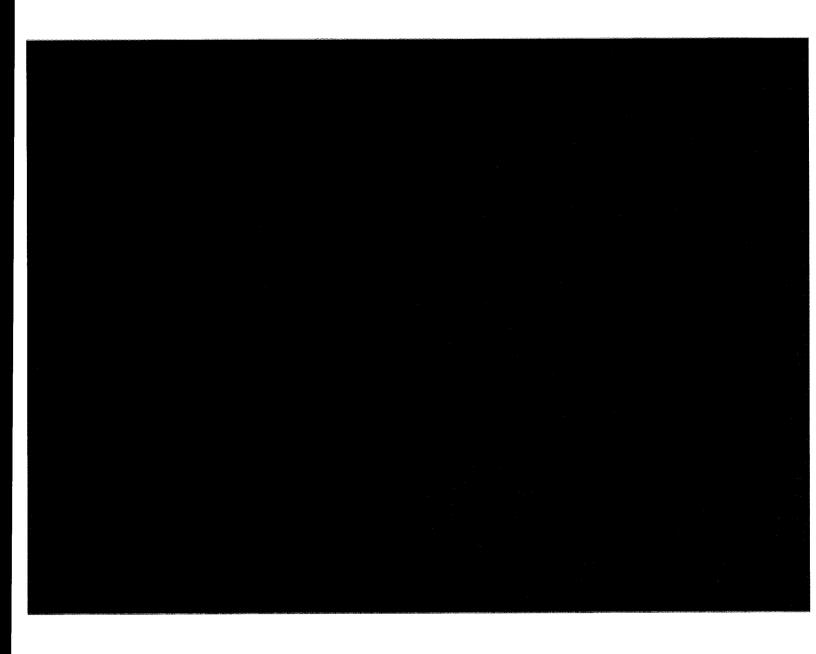
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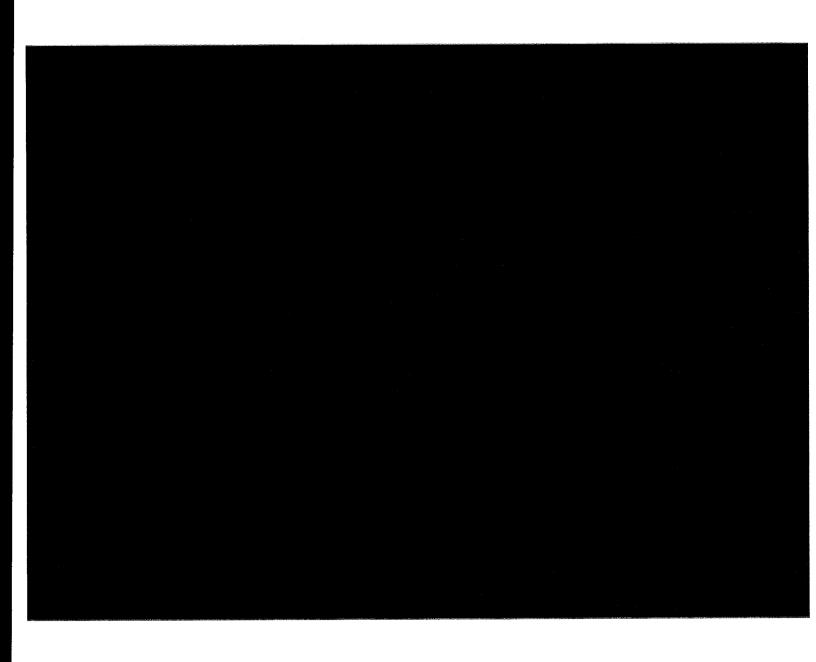
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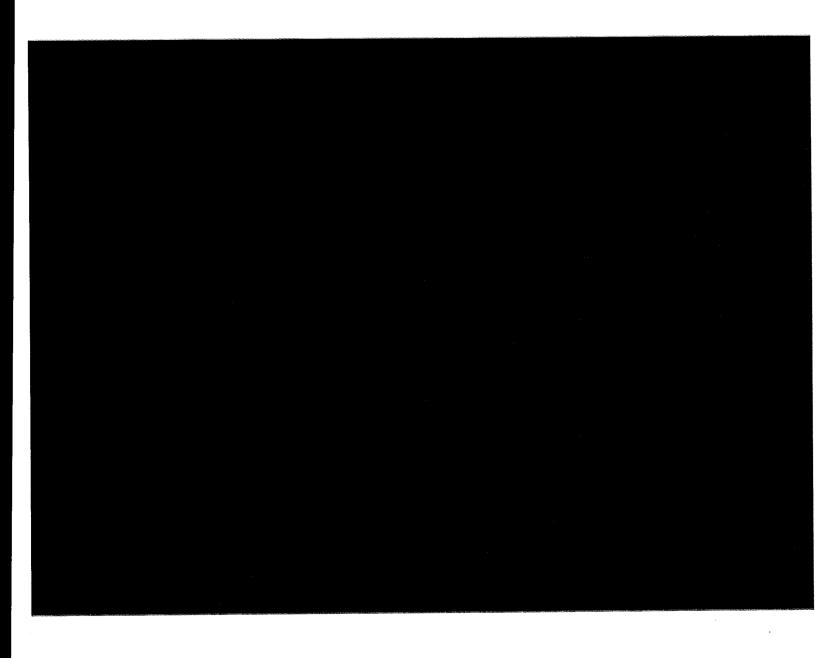
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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Albuquerque Police Department, Harold J. Medina, Chief of Police October 29,2021

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400 Roma NW

1-247-2021

Edison

Albuquerque, NM 87102

SUBJECT: FINAL DECISION TO DISCIPLINE

Lieutenant Edison:

You had a pre-disciplinary conference during which you were allowed the opportunity to provide information in your favor relevant to the proposed discipline. Your response has been considered and I have decided to impose a one hundred and twenty (120) hour suspension. I have reviewed and considered your past disciplinary record, and work history in reaching my decision.

You are charged with die following violations of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) ang regulations or other of the Albuquerque Police Department: (and/or City of Albuquerque rules 400 Roma NW

City directives and conditions of employment if

applicable:>

Albuquerque

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to a voicemail, forwarding the voicemail to one of his detectives, and then reviewing the email generated by tire detective. Lieutenant Edison also

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New Mexico 37102

1-1-4 Rules of Conduct (40 hour suspension)

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D. On-Duty Conduct (80 hour suspension)

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APPEAL:

discipline in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System Ordinance or the terms and conditions of a Collective Bargaining Agreement You may have the right to appeal this (CBA).

DATE:

For Cltv HR/APD Payroll: _

000025498 Employee ID:

Effective Date:

120 hours Suspension:

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Interoffice Memorandum

Zak Cottrell, Commander, Internal Affairs Professional Standards/Sylvester

From:

Stanley, Superintendent of Police Reform/DCAO^

Subject:

PDH Findings -1-247-21, Lieutenant Jim Edison

present in the room was Union Attorney John D'Amato, Union President Shaun Willoughby, and Commander On October 27, 2021 at 0830 hours a Pre-Disciplinary Hearing was held for Lieutenant Jim Edison in my office, also Cottrell.

After this hearing, my decision remains the same, the case is sustained with a 120-hour suspension to be given.

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE





October 5,2021

SUBJECT: PRE-DETERMINATION HEARING NOTICE Lieutenant

400 Roma NW Albuquerque,

NM 87102

Im Edison

Edison:

scheduled in mv office on fV^tfihPf, 2021. at 0000 hours, with me. The purpose of this hearing is to give you the opportunity to provide information in your favor relevant to the proposed discipline. Pursuant to my delegated authority, under the City of Albuquerque Merit Ordinance, The purpose of this correspondence is to notify you that a pre-disciplinary hearing has been the proposed discipline is a one hundred twenty hour (120) suspension.

ALLEGATIONS:

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REPRESENTATION

Yon may have two representatives of your choice present at the hearing for advice, but the hearing is not a hill evidentiary hearing. The hearing will be recorded.

MEDIATION

This matter has been submitted to the Mediation Coordinator for review in accordance with Section 902.2 of the Personnel Rules and Regulations. The Mediation Coordinator has the sole discretion to determine whether this issue is appropriate for mediation. If this matter is deemed appropriate for mediation the time limits for holding the Predetermination Hearing, taking disciplinary action and any resulting grievance will be held in abeyance until such time as the mediation takes place or the Coordinator deems it inappropriate for mediation.

No final decision on discipline will be made until after you have had an opportunity to be heard and until after your supervisors have given sufficient consideration to your explanation. Your past disciplinary record, if any, will be reviewed. You will be notified in writing of the final decision.

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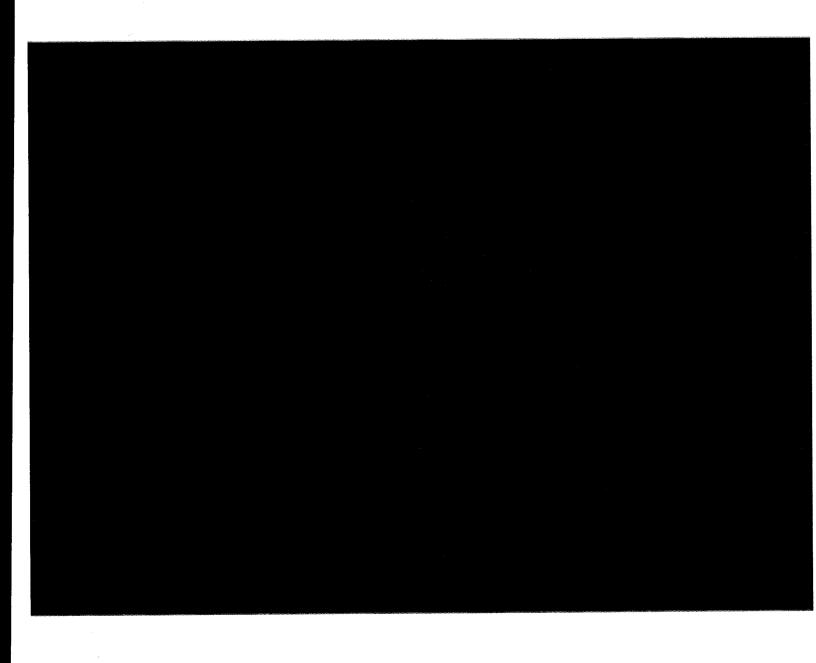
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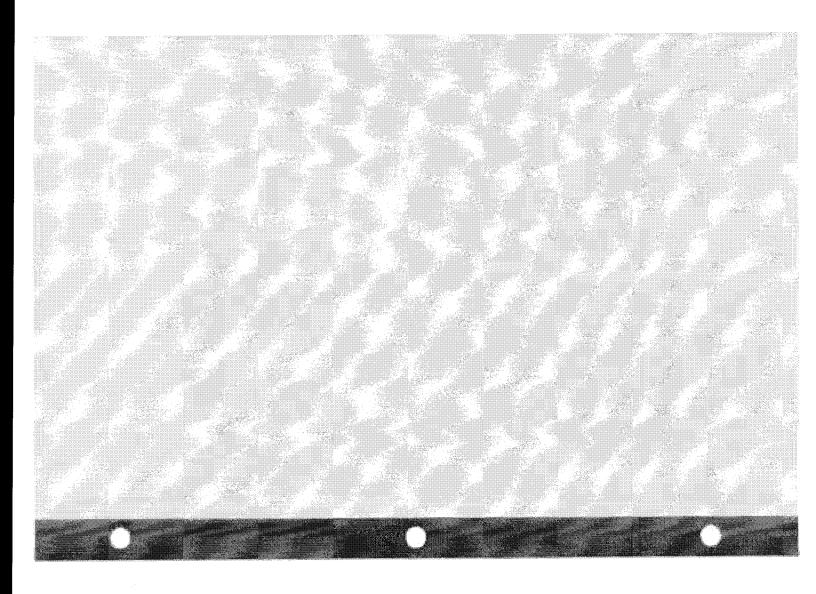
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ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT IA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

INVESTIGATION: 1-247-21 INVESTIGATOR: Det. A. Zamora

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ACTION

DATE

Cmdr. Armijo made a Blue Team entry. April 27,2021

May 3, 2021

LAPS investigation assigned.

Electronic email target letter sent to Lt. Edison.

Interviewed Cmdr. Armijo. May 12, 2021

May 10,2021

2nd interview with Cmdr. Armijo.

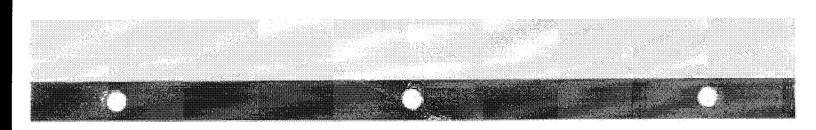
May 19, 2021

Interview with Margaret Baldonado.

June 9, 2021 June 9, 2021

Hand-delivered target letter to DC Smathers.

Interviewed Lt. Edison. June 22,2021 2nd interview with Lt Edison. July 2, 2021 Page 44 of 44



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